

Policy of the Board of Trustees

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COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

The following policy is adopted to carry out the provisions of New Hampshire Statutes RSA 200:32, RSA 200:38, and RSA 200:39.

The Principal or Designee shall be responsible for the administration of this policy.

Tuberculosis

A screening for tuberculosis, to be performed by the family physician or other appropriate medical personnel will be offered to students in the 8th, and 12th grades to supplement the examination required by the above statute prior to school entrance. Written consent from the parent or adult student shall be obtained for each student participating in the screening program, and parents will be notified, in writing, of any positive reaction.

All students with a positive reaction to the screening procedure will be referred to the students' physician of record or the school physician for further testing, and a report from the physician will be required so as to protect the health of the student and his or her contacts.

Throat Cultures

Whenever the Principal or Designee has reason to suspect a student is suffering from a throat infection, the Principal or Designee shall contact the parent to arrange for follow-up by the family's physician.

Upon notification from the State Department of Health that the student has a positive result from the throat culture, the student shall immediately be excluded from school attendance by the Principal or Designee, and may be re-admitted only on written certification by the student's physician or school physician.

Pediculosis

The family physician or other appropriate medical personnel shall conduct periodic examinations of students' heads at appropriate times. Such examinations may be of an entire class or of students selected at random. Students found to have pediculosis (head lice and nits) by the school nurse shall be immediately suspended from attendance. The student may be re-admitted only by the school nurse after an examination.

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No one other than the Principal or Designee is authorized to make medical exceptions to the provisions of this policy.

LEGAL REF: RSA 200:32, 38 and 39